(c) the final decision taken by the Government on the incorporation of a cap on the payments to gas-based fertilizer units?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SIS RAM OLA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The question of assessment of the installed capacity of urea plants was under the consideration of the Government for quite some time. A Technical Committee has been appointed for undertaking an indepth examination of the issue.

(c) No such decision has been taken.

Interim Relief to Bhopal Gas Victims

649. SHRI SUSHIL CHANDRA : Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the duration of monthly Interim Relief of Rs. 200/- being paid to the Bhopal Gas Victims has been extended:

(b) if so, the date of extension:

(c) whether the duration for providing Interim Relief to one lakh additional persons would also be increased in the similar manner as has been done earlier for the five lakh persons in respect of whom the decision to provide Interim Relief w.e.f. March 1, 1992 has already been taken; and

(d) if so, the last date for providing Interim Relief to such persons?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SIS RAM OLA): (a) to (d) Yes, Sir, the date has been extended upto May, 1997 and this benefit has also been extended to additional one lakh persons.

Harassment to Tribals

650. SHRI BANWARI LAL PUROHIT : Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is compulsory to submit the Caste-certificate of the parents or grand-parents alongwith their certificate by the tribals:

(b) if so, the reasons therefor:

(c) whether Halba tribals in Maharashtra are being harassed by the Authorities to submit the caste certificate of their parents and grand-parents along with their certificate; and

(d) if so the steps being taken to remove such compulsions?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA) : (a) and (b). Central Government guidelines to the State Governments and UT Administrations stipulate that the competent authorities should undertake proper verification before issuing Scheduled Tribe certificates including, inter-alia, with regard to whether the applicant and his/her parents actually belong to the community claimed, so as to ensure that only genuine persons are issued such certificates.

(c) and (d). The Government of Maharashtra have reported having clarified to the concerned authorities that Scheduled Tribe certificates can be issued to applicants claiming to belong to the Halba community if they submit their father's certificate and any other documentary evidence to the satisfaction of the competent authorities. The clarifications dated 2.7.1996 and 31.7.1996 were issued following a complaint that Scheduled Tribe certificates were not being issued to such applicants unless certificates of their parents as well as grand-parents were produced.

IPCL Projects

651. SHRI S.D.N.R. WADIYAR : Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Petrochemicals Limited has any plan to make new investment in its projects:

(b) if so, the details of the projects in which IPCL has made investment in the Eighth Five Year Plan; and

(c) the proposal mooted by IPCL to set up new projects and to expand its existing units in the Ninth Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SIS RAM OLA): (a) to (c). Indian Petrochemicals Corporation Limited (IPCL) has plans to invest in the approved new and expansion Projects totalling Rs. 4233 crores approximately during 8th Plan period. Out of this approved amount, about Rs. 2583 crores is likely to be spent during 8th Five Year Plan period and an amount of Rs. 1651 crores will be spent during the 9th Five Year Plan period as spill-over from the 8th Plan. The details of the projects in which IPCL made investment in 8th Five Year Plan are given in the Statement enclosed.

Other new proposals of IPCL for implementation during 9th Five Year Plan period are in the formulation stage.

STATEMENT

(Rs. in Crores)

S. No.	Name of Projects	Estimated cost approved
1	2	3
1.	**Gandhar Complex**	
	Cas Cracker to produce 3 lakhs TPA of Ethyene with down stream products such as HDPE, MEG, EO, VCM, PVC and Chlor Alkali.	3485

2	3
Baroda Complex	
(i) Polypropylene	199
(ii) Polybutadiene Rubber	149
(iii) Butadiene Revamp	44
(iv) Naphtha Revamp	20
Nagothane Complex	
(i) Ethylene Expansion	86
(ii) HDPE Expansion	250
Total	4233

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Indo-Dutch Project

652. SHRI JAGAT VIR SINGH DRONA : Will the ister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased tate :

(a) whether a team of officials of Netherland had ıe in September, 1996 to make a review of the Indo- ch Project in Kanpur;

(b) if so, the reaction, suggestions and information ided by the team on Indo-Dutch Project; and

(c) the details of the action to be taken by the ernment in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF IRONMENT AND FORESTS (CAPT. JAI NARAYAN SAD NISHAD) : (a) A joint review and monitoring ı visited Kanpur in September, 1996. This team e a review of the implementation of Institution and ımunity Development Project in Kanpur and apur and review of the preparation for Ganga Action Support Project to be funded in future in Kanpur. held discussions with local city officers and with U.P. Government Officers in Lucknow.

(b) The Mission has prepared a draft side letter for Kanpur South Ganga Action Plan Support Project r Ganga Action Plan Phase II for a value of Dutch lers 46 million.

c) The draft side letter was subsequently received the Netherlands Embassy in India. Incorporating minor suggestions from this Ministry and U.P. ernment, the draft side letter has been sent to stry of Finance for exchange between the two rnments to start the project.

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Sub-Standard Goods of ISI Mark

53. PROF. AJIT KUMAR MEHTA : Will the er of CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND IC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state :

) whether the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) receives every month a number of complaints regarding marketing of sub-standard goods bearing ISI mark by the manufacturers;

(b) if so, the details of such complaints received during the last six months;

(c) the outcome of the investigations made by the Government into the matter; and

(d) the measures taken by the Government to check the marketing of sub-standard goods by the manufacturers?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI DEVENDRA PRASAD YADAV) : (a) and (b). BIS receives, on the average, 8 to 9 complaints every month regarding the quality of ISI marked products. The details of complaints received from 1st April to 15th November, 1996 are given in the attached statement.

(c) and (d). In case, the complaints are established during the investigations made by the BIS, redressal of complaints are arranged through the concerned manufacturers. After a license is granted to a unit for use of Standard Mark, a surveillance of the licensee unit is maintained by BIS by way of surprise periodic inspections. To ensure that the quality of ISI marked products is consistently conforming to the relevant Indian Standards, samples are also purchased by the BIS from the market and got tested in its laboratories. In case deviations/discrepancies are found, the licensee is advised to improve upon its manufacturing and testing process, failing which action is taken against the licensee wich may include stoppage of marking and even cancellation of its licence.

Regarding marketing of sub-standard goods with ISI Mark by organizations not having valid BIS licence, enforcement action is taken by the Bureau as per the provisions of the BIS Act, Rules and Regulations. A Separate Enforcement Department exists in the Bureau for monitoring and coordinating enforcement functions.

STATEMENT

Complaints received from Ist April to 15th November, 1996.

(a) Complaints received	68
(b) Complaints established	36
(c) Complaints not established	22
(d) Complaints under investigation	10

Production of Spices

654. SHRI HARIN PATHAK :
SHRI S.D.N.R. WADIYAR :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the specific steps taken to increase the production of spices; and